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Presented for filing is a new divisional patent application of:

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Title: ALKALINE BATTERY

The prior application is assigned of record to The Gillette Company,  
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## Enclosures:

- Preliminary amendment, 7 pages.
- New disclosure information, including:  
Information disclosure statement, 1 page.  
PTO-1449, 2 pages.  
References, 35 items (**NOT ENCLOSED**).
- Postcard.

This application is a divisional (and claims the benefit of priority under 35 USC 120) of U.S. application serial no. 09/988,297, filed November 19, 2001. The disclosure of the prior application is considered part of (and is incorporated by reference in) the disclosure of this application.

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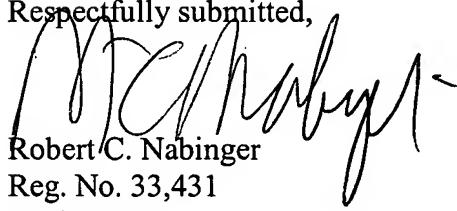
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